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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION  
AND TRANSMITTAL OF REPLACEMENT DRAWINGS**

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action of the United States Patent and Trademark Office mailed on June 12, 2006, the time for response to which extending to and including September 12, 2006, Applicants respectfully request consideration and entry of the following revisions and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 24 of this paper and include twenty-seven attached replacement sheets.

**Remarks** begin on page 25 of this paper.